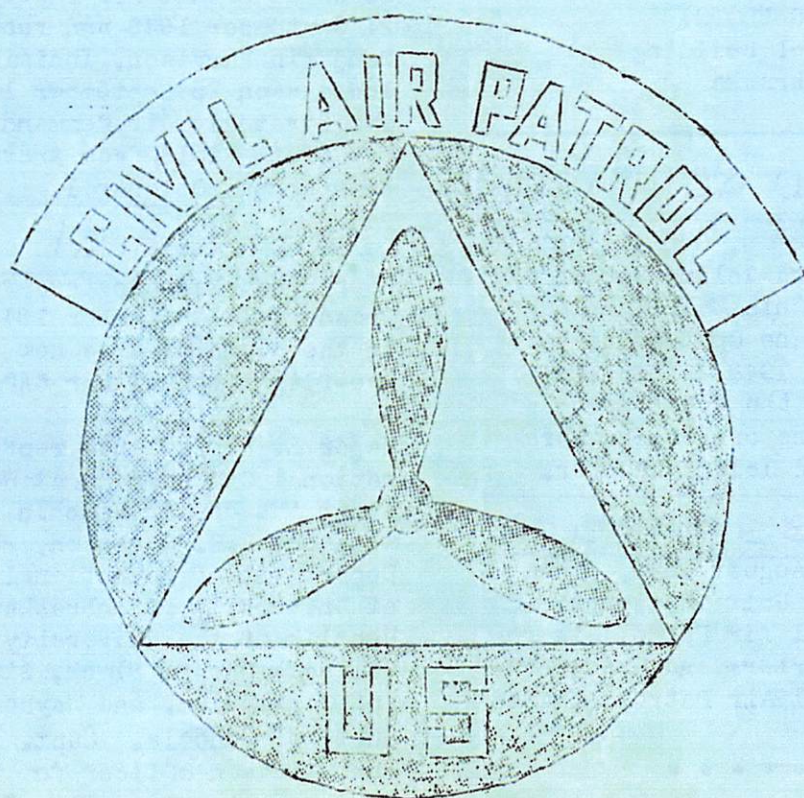


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## WING STAFF

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Dept. Commander - Lt. Col. Earle C. Reynolds  
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Cadet Commander - Major Roy Highfield  
Operations Officer - Major Vic Schroeder  
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Engineering Ofcr. - Capt. H. O. Bergstrom  
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## Model Show at Hastings

Lt. H. L. Coleman, Commanding Officer of the Grand Island Squadron has announced that his Unit is planning a Model Airplane Contest to be held on 10 October 1948. This contest will be under the co-sponsorship of the Veterans of Foreign Wars through their Grand Island Chapter.

## New Designation

Effective 28 August 1948, the 32d Air Force Base Unit (National Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol) is redesignated Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, United States Air Force.

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One of the pilots at the Scribner Manuever (see P. 4) was Elinor Worden of Lincoln, last year's flight scholarship winner.

## AIR FORCE DAY CAP Flight Breakfast

Approximately 25,000 persons are expected to attend the AIR FORCE DAY Celebration and Open House at Offutt Field, Fort Crook, Nebraska on Sunday, 19 September 1948. A Civil Air Patrol Breakfast Flight is scheduled for 8:30 AM. Breakfast will be served at the Officers Club at a charge of sixty cents. It is expected that over 200 civilian pilots from Iowa and Nebraska will fly to the Breakfast Sunday morning. Latest Air Force equipment will be open to the public for inspection, including F-82 jets, helicopter, P-80's, P-82's, P-60's, P-51, C-47 and others. CAP Cadets of the Omaha Squadrons, accompanied by Lt. P.J. Stavneak and Lt. Lucy Daniels, Commanding Officers of Squadrons 2 and 3, will go to Offutt Field Sunday to assist in directing traffic.

The celebration will be a "swan song" for the Tenth Air Force, which will close at Offutt Air Force Base on 24 September 1948 and reopen at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana on 25 September 1948. The Strategic Air Command will move to Offutt Field from Andrews Air Force Base around October 1.

## CAP Manual Planned

Four Nebraska educators were asked Tuesday, 14 September 1948, to assist in the planning of a new and better pre-flight manual for CAP.

Major E. K. Rawlins, representing national CAP command at Washington, DC spent the day in Lincoln consulting with Dr. F.E. Sorenson, chairman of Department of Educational Services at University of Nebraska; Dean F.E. Henzlik of the University Teachers College; Leo P. Black, State Director of Curriculum, and Wayne Reed, State Supt. of Schools. Capt. Frank Bowman, liaison officer for the Nebraska CAP, was also present. Captain Bowman stated the CAP is soliciting the aid of three groups of prominent educators.



# CADET ENCAMPMENT

The annual CAP Cadet Encampment for North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas and Nebraska was held at Offutt Field Air Force Base, Fort Crook, Nebraska, August 15 to 22.

Eighty-five cadets were privileged to attend. Ten came from North Dakota, five from South Dakota, thirty-one from Kansas, and thirty-nine from Nebraska.

The following officers assisted in the Encampment: Camp Commander, Captain Howard Murphy of Norfolk; Deputy Commander, Capt. John S. Fitzpatrick of Kansas; Operations Officer, W/O Logan LeGrande of Kansas; Lt. Neil Van Dusen of Kansas; and AT-6 pilots Capt. Frank Bowman of Nebraska, Capt. Oliver Crespo of South Dakota, and Captain Gerald W. McCoy of North Dakota.

On 19 August Col. William G. Booth and Major Arthur D. Rhodes came from CAP Headquarters in Washington, D. C. and inspected all departments. A dinner for the officers was arranged by Lt. Col. Earle C. Reynolds at the Fontenelle Hotel.

Lee Wayne Frakes, aged seventeen, of Bayard, Nebr., was named the outstanding State cadet of the encampment. Col. Rudy C. Mueller awarded Lee a ten-hour flying scholarship. Lee has been a CAP cadet for almost three years and was the winner of a series of competitive examinations given at the conclusion of the encampment.

The training schedule included instruction in flight line procedure, rifle range, chemical warfare, swimming first aid, code, FCC regulations, radio procedure, parachutes, fire fighting, production line maintenance, link trainers, photo lab, weather, and drill.

A highlight of the encampment was an actual flight for each cadet in an AT-6. Pilots were: Capt. Frank Bowman, Capt. Oliver Crespo, and Capt. G.W. McCoy. The cadets served as observers during the flights. Orientation flights were given in L-4's. Lt. Bob Carlisle and W/O Peter Carlentini flew the observation planes. Free time was spent in

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# NORFOLK HOLDS MODEL AIR SHOW

The Norfolk Squadron attracted statewide attention by its sponsorship of a Model Air-Show Sunday, July 25, 1948. A large crowd made possible a profit of approximately \$300 for the squadron.

Many instructive exhibits were offered throughout the day. On the flight line were: a B-25 from Offutt Air Base, Omaha, Nebr.; a PBY from Olathe, Kansas; a mountain rescue plane from Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado; and a C-47 transport from Offutt Field.

One of the most thrilling sights was the appearance of a P-52 from the Kearney Air Base. It was the first time many of the spectators had seen the aircraft.

Three AT-6's from the Sioux City Air Base executed maneuvers over the field, earning an enthusiastic salute from the crowd.

An L-4 piloted by the State Highway Patrol visited the field. The Lincoln Air Guard was represented by four P-51 pilots who flew over the field in formation.

A mobile landing unit was operated by Omaha Squadron 1. Cadet A. Demorest handled the biscuit gun during the afternoon. Capt. Frank Bowman, CAP-AF Liaison Officer, directed the landings and take-offs of all Army and Navy aircraft.

A C-47 from Offutt Field brought personnel from the Omaha and Lincoln Squadrons. An Army bus in command of Capt. Bob Fisk and Lt. Lucy Daniels transported fifteen girls and twelve boys from Omaha to Norfolk. The Omaha Cadets assisted the Norfolk Squadron at the refreshment stands. Working in two hour shifts were: Goldie Stevens, Marie Pace, Betty Jones, and Lou Thompson. Cadets from Omaha Squadron 1 also directed traffic in the parking lots.

Lt. Robert Carlisle of Norfolk was in charge of the Model races. Twelve trophies and twenty-four prizes were awarded in all classes of model competition.

swimming, volleyball and other sports. Swimming instructors were Wm. O'Hearn and Bette Slattery of the local Red Cross.



## Omaha Squads Meet

A meeting of all Squadrons of the Omaha CAP was held at the Municipal Airport Thursday, August 12.

Lt. Col. Earle C. Reynolds announced tentative plans for a practice air rescue search to be conducted from the Scribner Air Base on August 29. (See P 4)

Lt. Bob Fiske showed two U. S. Army movies, "Tale of Two Cities", and "The True Glory". The first picture showed the effects of the atom bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki; the second related to events in the European invasion. The pictures were shown on an outdoor screen; and the sound of many planes in landings and take-offs from the Municipal Field provided a realistic note.

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Lt. Annette Ostrowsky left Omaha August 21 to make her home in New York. Formerly an officer in the Girls' Squadron, Lt. Ostrowsky was Adjutant of Group 761 at the time of her departure.

The Nebraska members of CAP will miss a faithful and enthusiastic member.

Oliver V. Tyler, Jr. of Omaha Squadron has requested transfer from the Nebraska to the Kansas Wing.

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2nd Lt. Frank H. Anderson, formerly of Minneapolis, has moved to Fremont. An active member of the Minnesota CAP, Lt. Anderson hopes to assist in the reactivation of the Fremont Unit.

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About fifty members and cadets attended a picnic at "Renwood", north of Florence, July 9. Entertainment included USAF movies shown by M/Sgt. Richard Cryderman, a softball game, and horse-shoe pitching. The food committee, headed by Lt. Lucy Daniels, served potato salad, sandwiches, pickles, and pop.

"Renwood" is the base for Station KULR, and the surrounding grounds make an ideal picnic grounds.

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A full page of the Sunday Magazine Section of the Omaha World-Herald was devoted to CAP activities in Nebraska. It appeared in the August 15th issue.

AIR POWER IS PEACE  
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SEPTEMBER 18th IS AIR FORCE DAY

## Flight Breakfasts

Numerous Flight Breakfasts have been held by various CAP Units throughout Nebraska during the summer months. During August and September highly successful Breakfast Flights were held at Wahoo, Elgin, Nebraska City, Bayard, Crete and Albion. Bayard celebrated its annual FALL FESTIVAL with an air show, ball game, dance and fireworks, in addition to the breakfast, on 31 August 1948.

Approximately 168 planes landed at Elgin for the Breakfast held on 1 August 1948. To give an idea of the quantity of food consumed by the people, 1,690 eggs were fried along with 80 pounds of bacon--and it required 20 pounds of coffee to satisfy the guests, as well as over 3,500 biscuits!

Omaha Wing Staff members have been taking along CAP application blanks and recruiting new members at these breakfasts.

## Hastings Cadet to Canada

Nebraska was one of 24 states honored by having a CAP cadet selected to represent the United States at the RCA Cadet Camp at Patricia Bay, British Columbia, Canada.

Donald L. Hide, CAP Cadet from Hastings, was the "Goodwill Ambassador" from the Cornhusker State. He has been an active member of the Hastings Flight since it was organized.

Donald celebrated his sixteenth birthday August 20 by soloing several types of planes at the Hastings airport. Included among the ships he has flown are Aeronca Champion, Aeronca Chief, PT-19, Cessna 140, Piper Cub J-3 and Piper Super Cruiser.

Donald tells of his experiences in Canada on the following page of the Cornhusker News.

## New Building at Lexington

The Lexington Flight has a new Headquarters Building, which was purchased from War Assets Administration at McCook, Nebraska and moved to its present location. Building has a class room, radio station, shop and link room.

## Cadets Aid in Traffic Count

Cadets Anderson, Hastings, Jones, Pace, Rossen, Rundback, Stockwell, Tompsett, Moore and Buster of Omaha Girls Sqdn. helped with the Traffic Count held



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by the Omaha Parking and Traffic Committee on 8 July 1948. Cadets Hooker, Rudolph, Reed and Batten of the Boys Squadron also assisted.

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The Civil Air Patrol mourns the untimely death of Colonel George A. Stone, CAP, Captain Harry L. King, USAF, and T/Sgt. C. E. Chaplin, USAF, killed in the crash of a B-26 while enroute to Columbus, Ohio from Bolling Air Force Base on the afternoon of August 20, 1948.

General Carl Spaatz, recently retired as Chief of Staff of the U. S. Air Force, succeeds Colonel Stone as Chairman of the Civil Air Patrol Board at Bolling Air Force Base, Headquarters of CAP

### Search Mission

Twenty planes from five Nebraska Units took part in a practice Search and Rescue Mission held Sunday, 29 August 1948, at the Scribner Air Base. It is hoped that similar maneuvers can be held in the future with other Units taking part.

### Attention: CADETS

For the information of all concerned, Section VI TM 12-425, Personnel Classification, deals with the preparation of Soldier's Qualification Card, WD AGO Form 20. Paragraph 56g of cited manual is quoted:

"For Civil Air Patrol Cadets hereafter enlisted or inducted into the Army, a notation will be entered in "Remarks" that a course in Civil Air Patrol training has been completed, Example: Civil Air Patrol Cadet trng, compl (date)".

### Omaha Girls to College

Omaha Girls' Squadron will lose the following members in the near future. Nadine Laws, Mary Phillips and Rita Brennan will leave shortly for college.

### Wash. Praises Air Show

A report and photographs covering the Model Air Show held at Norfolk, Nebraska on 25 July 1948 was sent to Washington Headquarters.

In an indorsement dated 3 August 48, National Headquarters commented as follows:

"It is felt that this show has been extremely successful, both from an operational and model program standpoint...The Civil Air Patrol in its first year of

"This year a highly successful cadet exchange program with Canada was inaugurated. Twenty-four CAP Cadets and twenty-four Royal Canadian Air Cadets participated in the three week affair. Accompanying officers for the CAP Cadets were Major L. A. Edwards, CAP, Michigan Wing; Capt. E. L. Armstrong, AF-CAP Liaison Officer, Iowa Wing; F/L E. Sherlock, R.C.A.F. and F/L A. Dagg, R.C.A.F.

The trip started for me on 28 July, when Capt. Bowman, AF-CAP Liaison Officer for the Nebraska Wing, flew me to Denver in his "6". Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colo. was the assembly point for the 12 CAP Cadets from the Western part of the nation, Selfredge AFB in Michigan being the one for the 12 Cadets from the Eastern part. Friday morning, 30 July, we left Lowry on a VIP'd C-47 for Calgary, Alberta, via Yellowstone Park and Great Falls, Mont. After circling over a few points of interest in Yellowstone and taking some pictures, we continued on to Great Falls, where we cleared with U. S. Customs officials. Upon our arrival in Calgary we were greeted by 12 Canadian Cadets who were preparing to leave for their tour of the United States, several officials and officers of the Alberta Committee of the Air Cadet League, and several newspaper men who I believe were consistently with us throughout the tour.

Saturday noon we left Calgary on an RCAF Dakota for a trip over the Canadian Rockies to Sea Island RCAF Base, at Vancouver, BC. That same evening, with the help of a very elaborate police escort, we were taken in private cars to a large Hotel in downtown Vancouver, where we were well fed and wonderfully entertained by the mayor, the British Columbia Committee of the Air Cadet League, and a group of Canadian Cadets who had just completed their first flight training.

Patricia Bay Air Cadet Camp was our next stop. There we met the 12 Eastern Cadets, who arrived from Ottawa at the same time we arrived from Vancouver.

Highlighting that week was a tour of Victoria and the light cruiser "H.M.C.S. Ontario" on Monday; a cruise up the B.C. coast on Tuesday, a PT boat

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## Norfolk Show Cont. from Page 4

stress on model aircraft activities as part of the overall cadet program will be expected to conduct a number of these wing model meets. It is planned to establish the project reported on in basic communication as somewhat of a criteria from which to base plans for model meets of its type throughout the country."

## COMMUNICATIONS NEWS

Washington Headquarters anticipates holding a Communications Conference in each of the eight Regions, starting at Region 1 on or about 4 October 1948, taking each Region in numerical order. The purpose of this Conference will be to discuss the forthcoming regulation governing the use of the new frequencies allocated to CAP.

Present plans are to hold these conferences starting on or about the night of 4 October 1948 at Grenier Air Force Base, Manchester, N.H. and holding the last conference at Los Angeles, Cal. on or about 16 October 1948.

More data will be available later about the Conference to be scheduled for this Region.

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Call Sign "K W C W" has been assigned the Crete Squadron by the Federal Communications Commission. Radio licenses for North Platte and Lexington have been submitted to FCC through National Headquarters.

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Let's all get behind the "CAP MEMBERSHIP DRIVE" to be held by the Nebraska Wing from 15 September to 15 October and reach the goal of 250 new Senior Members and 250 Cadets!

Information about the Drive is being forwarded to each Unit under separate cover.

Grand Island, North Platte and Lincoln Squadrons have been the leaders in recruiting new Cadet members. Applications for Senior Membership have been received from almost all Squadrons, but Grand Island and Kearney have been sending more than the other Units.

A number of applications for Senior Membership are pending--including Mr. Raymond Ball of Beatstown, and Mr. William O'Hearn of the local Red Cross. (5)

## CANADIAN EXCHANGE Cont from P. 4

ride back to the mainland on Wednesday, where we went through the largest fish-cannery in the British Empire, a trip to Prince George and the Alcan Highway on Thurs. and Fri., and to top it off we were guests of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club at their Mid-summer Regatta on Saturday.

The next week was also packed with wonders; Monday we went to Sproat Lake on a PBY, and saw some real logging operations--Wednesday we again went for a PBY ride, this time to Powell River, where we went through a giant paper mill. On Thursday we were guests of a Civil Luncheon in Vancouver's famous Stanley Park, where that same evening we saw the Operetta, "The Great Waltz." The following day we had a going away party at a private home in Vancouver, and Saturday AM we returned to Calgary. Banff National Park was on the schedule Saturday afternoon, and that evening we had a terrific banquet.

All 48 participating cadets and their accompanying officers were present, plus General Beau, Mr. Alec Ross, president of the Air Cadets of Canada, and numerous other important officials and officers of both nations. We had real entertainment and some wonderful addresses that evening. General Beau expressed hope that arrangements could be completed for a similar program next year, not only with Canada but also with England.

The trip sure went over big with everyone, and there are a lot of people who will never forget it. I figured up that I spent 33½ hours in the air on the trip, in T-6's, C-47's, PBY's and Lancasters. What a life!

Which of you Cadet readers will be the lucky one next year? "

DONALD L. HIDE.

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"THE CORNHUSKER NEWS" has been appearing infrequently--due chiefly to lack of time since the staff has been busy with matters pertaining to Summer Encampment, Breakfast Flights, etc. Lt. Dorothy Gathers, Adjutant, Nebraska Wing Staff, offered her very able assistance in getting this edition to press--and it is hoped that the newsletter can be published monthly. GET YOUR NEWS ITEMS TO US BY THE 5TH EA MO!